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BUILDING STATISTICS, TASMANIA - DECEMBER QUARTER, 1951.

The Deputy Commonwealth Statistician (Mr. J. C. Stephen), has made available the following particulars of Building Statistics for the quarter ended 31st December, 1951, together with comparable data for preceding periods.

1. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED.

A statement of definitions of terms used will be found on page 10.

2. SUMMARY FOR QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1951.

Building statistics for Tasmania for December quarter, 1951, are summarized in the following tables. Outstanding feature for the quarter was the substantial increase in the number of houses completed and the marked falling off in the numbers commenced and under construction. The trend in total building operations followed a similar pattern.

CONSTRUCTIONS OF NEW BUILDINGS. TASMANIA - DECEMBER QUARTER. 1951.

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Description of Building	Gommenced dur- ing December Quarter, 1951		Completed dur- ing December Quarter, 1951		Under Con- struction at 31 Dec. 1951		Value of work done during	
and Constructing Agency	No. of Bldgs.	Value (a)	No. of Bldgs.	Value (a)	No. of Bldgs.	Value (a)	Dec. Qr. 1951	
1. Houses (b) (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c. On Govt. A/c. (ii) Govt. Day Labour (iii) Owner-Builders	287 104 165 386	£'000 700 224 309 804	359 136 255 577	£'000 870 276 469 1, 028	740 439 281 1,739	£'000 2,012 925 591 3,570	£'000 799 298 448 877	
Total Houses	942	2,037	1,327	2,643	3,199	7,098	2,422	
2. Flats (c) (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c.	11	21	9	17	23	52	17	
3. Shops with Dwellings(i) Pte. ContractorsOn Pte. A/c.	8	23	11	25	18	63	24	
4. Shops w/out Dwellings (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c.	9	22	16	51	18	77	39	
5. Hotels, Guest Houses etc. (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c. On Govt. A/c.	1	81 4	2	15 11	9	325 345	34 47	
6. Factories - (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c. On Govt. A/c.	18 1	134 12	9	53 12	49 8	1,251 210	259 47	
7. Other New Buildings (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c. On Govt. A/c. (ii) Govt. Day Labour	25 26 14	154 91 50	29 43 27	156 119 216	82 66 25	780 1,912 398	167 232 112	
Total Other New Buildings	114	592	148	675	304	5,413	978	
All New Buildings (i) Pte. Contractors On Pte. A/c. On Govt. A/c. (ii) Govt. Day Labour (iii) Owner-Builders	359 132 179 386	1,135 331 359 804	435 181 282 577	1,187 418 685 1,028	939 519 306 1,739	4,560 3,392 989 3,570	1,339 624 560 877	
GRAND TOTAL	1,056	2,629	1,475	3,318	3,503	12,511	3,400	

a) When completed. (b) Converted army huts excluded. (c) No. = Individual flats as new dwellings.

4. NEW HOUSES ACCORDING TO MUNICIPALITIES:

Particulars of building issued for houses, and the number and values of houses commenced, completed and under construction, according to local government areas, are shown for December quarter, 1951, in the next two tables -

BUILDING PERMITS GRANTED AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOUSES. DECEMBER QUARTER, 1951.

AREA	Building Permits granted during quarter		Commenced during Quarter		Completed during Quarter		Under Construc- tion at end of Quarter	
AAAA	No.	Value (a)	No.	Value (a)	No.	Value (a)	No.	Value (a)
Hobart, City	64	£1000 205	58	£'000	88	£'000 245	281	£'000 889
Hobart, Suburbs - Clarence (b) Kingborough (b) Glenorchy	107 33 85	238 73 199	110 17 106	234 44 229	115 43 204	250 122 428	339 72 4 1 5	787 200 901
Total Suburbs	225	510	233	507	362	800	826	1,888
Total Hobart and Suburbs	289	715	291	678	450	1,045	1,107	2,777
Launceston City	38	100	110	270	128	310	384	937
Launceston, Suburbs (b) -					***************************************			
Beaconsfield Evandale Lilydale St. Leonards Westbury	10 - 43 25 3	24 - 86 58 4	20 - 6 15 2	44 - 16 37 10	31 11 48	52 2 18 91 2	87 - 28 96 4	172 - 64 215 14
Total Suburbs	81	172	43	107	93	165	215	465
Total Launceston & Suburbs	119	272	153	377	221	475	599	1,402
All Other Areas	521	928	498	982	-656	1,123	1,493	2,919
Total Tasmania (c)	929	1,915	942	2,037	1,327	2,643	3 , 199	7,098

Value when completed.

Suburban areas only of these Municipalities.
Excluding those Municipalities which do not require a permit to build.